IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE NASHVILLE DIVISION

CAROL BARTON,

Plaintiff,	Case No. 3:20-cv-00118
v. THE METROPOLITAN	Judge Campbell Magistrate Judge Newbern
GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND	
DAVIDSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE,	JURY DEMAND
Defendant.	1

PLAINTIFF'S MOTION IN LIMINE AND INCORPORATED MEMORANDUM

Plaintiff Carol Barton moves *in limine* to exclude the following evidence from trial: collateral source evidence.

I. Collateral Source Evidence

Receipt of unemployment compensation benefits, or any attempt to obtain them, are collateral source benefits. *See Rasimas v. Michigan Dept. of Mental Health*, 714 F.2d 614 (6th Cir. 1983). *See also Hamlin v. Charter Township of Flint*, 165 F.3d 426,433-436 (6th Cir. 1999); *Thurman v. Yellow Freight Systems. Inc.*, 90 F.3d 1160, 1170-71 (6th Cir.1996).

Plaintiff applied for and received unemployment benefits in 2020, but any mention of such relates to a collateral source benefit. Even if such evidence could be considered relevant, the danger of unfair prejudice and/or confusion of the issues for the jury substantially outweighs any probative value of the evidence. Fed. R. Evid. 403. The any mention of Plaintiff's receipt of unemployment benefits only serves to confuse and prejudice the jury.

Accordingly, Plaintiff requests the Court prohibit introduction of evidence concerning her receipt of unemployment benefits and any decision regarding the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on October 16, 2022, the forgoing was served on counsel by email through the Court's CM/ECF system to:

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